

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1094

By Massey

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dr. David H. Folz on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David H. Folz is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as a professor of political science and director of the Master of Public Administration and Policy Program at the Howard Baker Center for Public Policy at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UT); and

WHEREAS, after a distinguished thirty-six-year career, Dr. David Folz will be taking a much-deserved retirement on July 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed graduate of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Dr. Folz holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History, a Master of Science degree in Planning, and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Political Science from our flagship institution; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Folz began his illustrious teaching career at UT in 1981 as a graduate teaching assistant from 1981 to 1983 before rendering sterling service as a graduate teaching associate from 1983 to 1985, when he was named a visiting assistant professor; and

WHEREAS, he officially became a full-time member of the faculty as an assistant professor in 1986 and advanced to the position of associate professor in 1992, at which time he was also named the coordinator of the UT Master of Public Administration program, serving in that post until 2003; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, Dr. Harry Folz was made a full professor in the UT Department of Political Science and in 2012, was named director of the UT Master of Public Policy and Administration program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Folz has served as director of the UT Tennessee Legislative Internship Programs since 2005 and has been an incredible advocate; his direction of graduate student

internships in government and undergraduate student internships in the General Assembly have exemplified the role of the university's flagship status; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Folz has authored or co-authored numerous articles in professional journals, including the *Public Administration Review*, the *State and Local Government Review*, the *Social Science Quarterly*, the *American Review of Public Administration*, the *Journal of Environmental Planning and Management*, *Public Works Management and Policy*, the *Pollution Prevention Review*, the *Public Administration Quarterly*, *Judicature*, the *Public Productivity Review*, and the *International Fire Service Journal of Leadership and Management*; and

WHEREAS, he is a co-author of *Managing America's Small Communities: People, Politics and Performance* (2005), published by Rowman and Littlefield, and the author of *Survey Research for Public Administration* (1996) by Sage Publications; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected and admired professional in his field of expertise, he enjoyed a tenure as essays and reviews editor of *The State and Local Government Review* and served as a survey research consultant, a management consultant, and experts witness; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Folz is a council member, treasurer, and past president of the East Tennessee chapter of the American Society for Public Administration; a faculty advisor for the UT chapter of Pi Alpha Alpha, the National Honor Society for Public Affairs and Administration; a faculty advisor of the UT chapter of the ICMA; a former executive board member of the Section on Intergovernmental Administration and Management of the American Society for Public Administration; and a member of the National Executive Council of Pi Alpha Alpha; and

WHEREAS, he is a member of the American Society for Public Administration and the International City/County Management Association and a faculty representative of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration; and

WHEREAS, prior to entering academia, Dr. Folz served as the principal planner and interim regional director of the Tennessee State Planning Office-Local Planning Division from 1977 to 1980 and as a city management intern with the City of Oak Ridge from 1983 to 1984; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David Folz exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Dr. David Folz has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues, his students, and the good people of the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Dr. David Folz our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.